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Abstract

A coded-data decoding/playback apparatus includes an image decoding means 2 for decoding blocks containing intra-coded data which can be independently decoded and which is included in inputted compressed image data in response to the placement of the image decoding means in a trick play mode in which image data is played back at a high speed, an image storage means 3 for storing decoded image data about the decoded blocks, and an image decoding/playback control means 4 for placing the image decoding means 2 and image storage means 3 in the trick play mode so as to superimpose the decoded image data about the blocks on one another, to make the image storage means 3 store the superimposed decoded image data, and to make the image storage means 3 output the decoded image data about the blocks at a playback speed which is specified thereby.

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